Thunder storms in the morning; fair in the afternoon.

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BIG BUILDINGS STRUCK.

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In three minutes the wind jumped from forty miles to fifty-four miles an hour. Here and there in the parks limbs snapped from trees. In the streets signs were blown from their places and went sending. Umbrellas were torn from the streets were turned to miniature mill races. Out on the rivers and on the bays it was as if night had fallen, and the boats were groping around There was neither thunder nor lightning while

were scared in a moment as bedly as if you had been out in the storm with no protection.

With the first downpour of rain the mercury in the thermometers began to drop. It registered \$4 at the beginning. In the twenty minutes that the storm lasted it fell 20°. It had been raining five minutes when the lightning and the thunder became almost continuous and they seemed to be getting nearer and nearer. Still the aim of the gunners was poor and the only damage done was the shaking of the buildings by the force of the concussions. It was 4:32 o'clock when the first bolt struck. The Gillender building at the corner of Nassau and Wall streets towers up there high above the surrounding buildings. It has a cupola, and on top of that a 45-foot fiagpole. There was a particularly vivid fiash of light, a particularly savage crash of thunder, and peelings of that fiagpole went flying into the street. Nobody saw the bolt strike so far as The Sur reporter could learn. Nobody in the building fell it, but there was a siziling in half a dozen telephone boxes in the building and they were burned out. The bolt struck the pole two-thirds of the wasonary fastion. Whose the bolt went or how, citer it left the pole, nobody knows. Possibly it was caught by the steel frames of the building and was distributed harmlessly throughout the whole structure on its way to the ground.

It was some minutes after the first bolt struck that the second one landed. It picked out the fiagpole on the roof of the tail building of the Mutual Life Association, two blocks further up Nassau street. It was seen to strike by the folks in the Bank of Commerce building, but it was gone in an instant, leaving only a sujintered pole to show where it had been. The third one of the good shots by nature's artillerymen was made within the next five minutes. The cupola of the New York Life building in Broadway, at Leonard street, is uninities. Hus the best to strike by a crowd gain to strong. The people in the building each of the shock the figures of men. In the prese

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An eccentric boit landed on the east gable of Warren Ferris's house, on West Farms road, between Second and Third streets, West Chester. It tore a square hole in the gable, ripped off a lot of shingles, and went into a bedroom on the third floor, in which Mr. Ferris's three children, Catherine, Effle, and Richard were at play.

It knocked a strip of plaster four inches wide and six feet long off the colling, loosened the plaster on two sides of the room, charred the paper on the walls of a small closet, and loosened all the plaster in an adjoining room.

Then it went through the floor to a bedroom on the second story, where it did practically the same thing, and thence into the dining room. In the dining room it divided. One part went through the floor to the laundry, and was lost in the ground.

The other dodged out through an open window and jumped across the yard at the side of the house, across the yard of J. W. Rogers's house adjoining, and flew into the window of Mr. Rogers's home.

He was setting in line with the window, some distance frem it, and wondering how long it was going to rais.

The bolt interrupted his cogitations by knocking him off the chair. He was sent sprawling on the floor. The chair was overturned.

Mr. Rogers' didn't recover from the shock for nearly an hour, and then he went to the Ferris house and told Mrs. McConochie, Mrs. Ferris's mother, that he wished she d keep her lightning at home.

Mrs. McConochie had been made ill by the bolt, and all the people in the Ferris house had headaches last night.

The damage done by the bolt to the house amounted to about \$500.

MANY CELLARS FLOODED.

Residents Along Twenty-third Street Say the

West Twenty-third street, from Ninth avenue with water which broke out of the overcharged sewers and flowed over the pavements and side-walks into the cellars all along the route. The residents of that street have had more or less trouble with the sewers in the last two years and say they are inadequate.

When the rain came down in torrents yesterday afternoon it overcharged the sewers and sent the manholes all along the line flying into the air. The water poured out of the manholes in streams four feet high, and soon there was a rushing torrent flooding the street all the way to the river. The cellars along Twenty-third street, Twenty-second street, and as far north as Twenty-fifth street were flooded with water from three to six feet in depth.

The Brighton mills, in Twenty-third street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues, were obliged to shut down because of the flood. Water poured into the cellars, flooding the engine room, and the engineer had to shut off sicam. The water rose to such a height before the employees got out of the building that four girls who were among the last to leave were obliged to remove their shoes and stockings and wade through the water, which came to their knees, until they got around to Tenth

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A few days ago workmen cut through the brick sewer in Tenth avenue in order to run a water main. This sewer is also said to be inadequate, and the water pipes made it more so. A newsboy crossing Tenth avenue slipped into the deep water made by the excaration, and was rescued after considerable difficulty by some bystanders. The freight yards of the Erie Railroad at the foot of Twenty-third street were completely submerged, and small boys went swimming in the water there. The lumber works of the McClave Company at Twenty-second street and Eleventh avenue were also obliged to shut down because of the flood. Water poured into the ceilar of the saloon kept by James A. Meagher, at Tenth avenue and Twenty-third street, and in a short time had damaged his stock of whiskey, beer, and ales to the extent of \$1,000. It washed away the boards under the temporary track of the Twenty-third street crosstown street car line, which was laid over the excavation at Tenth avenue, and for an hour the cars were stopped until the boards could be replaced.

Cahmen around the Pennsylvania Railroad ferry at the foot of Twenty-third street reaped a harvest from passengers by taking them through the water. The residents say that they have had trouble with thesewers ever since a new one was built from Eleventh avenue to the river. Instead of joining this new sewer with the old one, which ran along Eleventh avenue, a separate sewer was made of it, and this serves to congest the water in the Eleventh avenue sewer. Several of the residents and landlords have suits pending against the city now for damage done by water which overflowed their ceilars from the sewer.

Saloon Keeper Moagher has two suits pending, and will now start another one. Among other houses flooded was that of John C. Sheeban at 464 West Twenty-third street. As soon as the rain stopped men were employed to pump out the water from the ceil

PANIC ON AN EXCURSION BARGE. Twelve Hundred Children Caught in the Storm on Long Island Sound.

Twelvs hundred children who went out upon Long Island Sound on a barge yesterday on an excursion from Williamsburg, given by the Children's Ald Society and the Tribuse Fresh Children's Aid Society and the Tribuse Fresh Air Fund, had a fearful experience in the storm. It struck their barge about 4 P. M. Attempts were made to give the excursionists shelter by letting down the canvas awaings of the barge, but these were torn away by the wind.

Then a panic ensued. The children rushed to the rear of the boat and screamed with fear. Amid all this turmoil Carrie Foreman of 231 Howard avenue, Brooklyn, fell in an epileptic fit. The attendants finally succeeded in restoring order, but when the barge landed at the foot of South Fifth street, in Williamsburg, at 6:30 o'clock, Carrie Foreman had another fit, and was sent to the Eastern District Hospital.

FLOATING HOSPITAL HIT.

BABY KILLED BY LIGHTNING ON THE ST. JOHN'S GUILD BOAT.

Another Born Prematurely After the Same Shock-Both Children Marked Very Much Allke-Half a Hundred Persons Blinded for the Time and Many Thrown to the Beck.

Lightning struck the Floating Hospital of St. John's Guild in the storm at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and killed a child in its mother's arms. The same shock caused the premature birth of another child not three feet away from

the child that had been killed.

The floating hospital was coming up the bay freighted with women and children. When it ran into the storm the black clouds seemed to settle down all around the barge. The children clung tighter to their mothers' skirts and the mothers huddled together in the gloom.

The rain slackened for a moment. Then the whole cloud blazed and crackled for an instant

like a forest of burning pine. There was scarcely any scho of thunder. The women dropped on their knees and prayed aloud. The cloud closed down in gloom again and the rain fell in sheets. A bolt of the lightning had hit the barge on her

port bow, cut away the storm curtains, ripped a bundle of splinters from the upper deck, and for an instant blinded half a hundred persons, besides throwing many on their faces on the deck. Close by the port rail sat Mrs. Amelia Ackerly, who lives at 602 West Forty-fifth street. In her arms she held her three-months-old baby, Amelia, while another of her children clung to her skirts. When the lightning came it hit the head of the baby and passed along its back, kill-

ing the child and stunning the mother.

Two of the deck hands on the boat were standing near her. They ran to save the woman from falling and held her in their arms, while one of the trained nurses on the boat snatched the child. The men managed to lay the woman

on the floor, and when they turned about they saw another woman who had fallen three feet away.

Two trained nurses went to her and Dr. Medwin Leale, physician in charge of the boat, ran forward. He found that a baby had been bern, andlafter caring for the mother turned his attention to Mrs, Ackerly. He succeeded in reviving her.

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Then Dr. Leale's attention was taken up with several women who had fainted from fright, and others who were suffering from the shock.

From that time until the boat put into her dock, at the foot of West Firty-second street, the doctor was busy doing the work that ordinarily would require a dozen physicians.

As soon as the Floating Hospital was made fast to the dock, a cab was summoned. Mrs. Ackley, carrying her dead beby in her arms, was assisted into the cab. A trained nurse and one of the boat's deck hands accompanied her to her home.

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The hospital boat then went around to the East River and was docked at the foot of East Twenty-eighth street, just in the rear of Bellevue Hospital. Dr. Teals had in the mean time felephoned to Bellevue to have an ambulance at the Twenty-eighth street dock.

The ambulance was there when the boat arrived. The storm-born babe and its mother were lifted into the ambulance and taken to Bellevue Hospital. There the mother said she was Mrs. Anna Lee of 116 Tenth avenue.

On the back of her baby's head and down its spine the doctors found a peculiar birthmark, a streak of red three inches in width. This did not seem strange until the same sort of a mark was found upon the head and back of the child that had been killed.

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The mark of the lightning on the Ackley child was discovered by Dr. Medwin Leale's father. Dr. Charles A. Leale, who is one of the former Presidents of St. John's Guild.

Dr. Charles Leale went to the Ackley house and made a careful examination of the child's ody. Several other physicians were present, the child's frock was scarched in the back as if by fire.

The child was struck on the head," said Dr.
Leale, "and the lightning passed down the spinal cord, causing instant death.

"A dark red mark three inches wide and fifteen
inches long was left on the skin over the spine,
with a small blistered spot at the bottom."

J. H. BENEDICT, JR.'S. MISADVENTURE

Picked Up Nearly Unconscious in Broadway by the Police—His Condition Accounted For. Two policemen while walking down Broadtor of a beer hall in the block between Thirtythird and Thirty-fourth streets, lay a man who seemed to be scarcely conscious down on the

sidewalk beside the entrance to his saloon. The two policemen picked the man up. He was able to walk with their aid, and they took him down Sixth avenue to Thirtieth street. When they reached the corner he became unconscious and fell on his back to the pavement. The policemen took him to the West Thirtietl street station house, where he was laid on the

foor in the room used by the policemen as a sit-Papers in his pocket showed that he was James H. Benedict, Jr., a banker, at 48 Ex-change place. He told the policeman, before he change place. He told the policeman, before he became unconscious, that he had not been in Bang's saloon. Bang told the police that, while he was standing in front of his place about 8:25 o'clock, Benedict came along up the street, staggering. He tried to go into the saloon. Bang told him he could not enter.

Benedict persisted, and tried to force his way past Bang. Bang put his hands on his shoulders to keep him out. As he did so the man collapsed.

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Mr. Benedict lives at 14 East Seventieth

street, and has been a member of the Stock Exchange for ten years. He is associated with the firm of Benedict Bros. He belongs to the New York Athletic, City, Larchmont Yacht, and Racquet clubs; the American Geographical Society, the New England Society, American Museum of Natural History, and the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Mr. Benedict revived about midnight and told the Sergeant that he had been drinking. He said that he remembered nothing after he collapsed at Thirtieth street and Sixth avenue.

FOUND THE DOCTOR IN HER ROOM. Missourian Discovers His Baughter's Shan

PALMYRA, Mo., July 23.—Daniel Rose found Dr. J. W. Norris in Miss Rose's room on Friday night. This morning, just before 9 o'clock, Rose met Norris on the street in front of the Post Office and shot him down with a revolver. After Norris was down he drew a revolver and fired two shots at Rose, but did not hit him. Norris's

wound has been pronounced mortal.

The affair that caused to-day's shooting has been the gossip of the town since last Sunday At about 1 o'clock that morning Dr. Norris, who At about 1 o'clock that morning Dr. Norris, who was a leading physician of the city, carried a ladder to the Rose house, ascended to the second story, and entered the room occupied by Katle Rose, the pretty 20-year-old daughter.

The father and mother, who slept on the first floor, were awakened by a noise upstairs, and, believing that burglars had entered the house, Mr. Rose armed himself with a butcher knife and ascended the stairs.

On reaching his daughter's room Rose found Dr. Norris there. Hose rushed furiously at the doctor with his butcher knife, threatening to kill him on the spot. Norris, however, was the more powerful of the two, and defended himself so vigorously that Rose was soon disabled, and Norris escaped.

POSTMISTRESS \$1,500 SHORT. Her Daughter Suspected and a Warrant for Her Arrest Issued.

CHEYENNE, Wy., July 23.-Mrs. Anna Duval, Postmistress at Fort Russell, was to-day found to be \$1,500 short in her accounts with the Post Office Department. Her 20-year-old daughter Elsie is charged with having embezzled the money and a warrant for her arrest has been

Equitable Gas Stock Takes a Jump. The stock of the Equitable Gas Light Company made a sensational advance on the curb yesterday, sales being effected at 262, with reyesterday, sales being effected at 262, with reports of transactions at higher figures. As high as 280 was bid for the stock without bringing out any. On Thursday the stock sold at 242, On Friday of last week it sold at 230. There were various rumors in regard to the sensational advance, all centring around the projected consolidation of the Equitable with the New York and East River Gas Company.

Riker's Drug Store Has Removed and is now open for business at southwest esquer of siboth avenue and Twenty-third street.—Adu. DEAN M'LEAN SHOT DOWN.

Member of the California Medical Colleg Faculty the Victim of a Crank.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 23.-Patrick Walsh, a crank, who thought he had a grievance, shot in the street to-day Dr. Donald McLean, dean of California Medical College, inflicting three dangerous wounds. When pursued by the police Walsh put a bullet through his brain,

Walsh had been assistant janitor at the Medical College and when the head janitor went he expected the place. Dr. McLean presented his name, but the directors falled to select him. He was erratic and quarrelsome and they decided he would not be a safe man.

He became abusive after this disappointment and they discharged him. His failure he attributed to McLean, and recently he sent the doctor a letter demanding \$200, which he said he had lost by waiting for the promised place. Dr. McLean replied that Walsh had no claim on him. Walsh brooded over this and determined to shoot McLean. To-day he met the doctor on Van Vess avenue and made some demand on him. Being rebuffed, he fired three shots, all of which took effect. Then he ran, followed by a policeman. When he found the policeman was gaining on him, he put the pistol to his head and fired. He was dead when the policeman

reached him. Dr. McLean will probably recover. On Walsh's body were found a letter and a rambling statement. The letter said that if he did not get the money he "hoped to be compensated on the Klondike with a coal-oil can of nuggets." His statement is disjointed, and gives as his reason for the shooting that the doctor deceived him and cheated him out of a promised place. A five-cent piece and a few worthless trinkets were found in his pockets.

FOUGHT OFF THE RUSTLERS.

Two Coarboys Wounded and One Rustler Killed and One Captured.

CHEYENNE, Wy., July 23 .- A party of outlaws known as the Hole-in-the-Wall band attacked the round-up of the Cy and Ogallaia Cattle companies yesterday and attempted to prevent the rounding up of the country around their leavous. In the fight Foreman R. N. Devine and his son, Lee Devine, of the cowboys were the rustlers, was killed and Bob Taylor was

captured. The Hole-in-the-Wall gang is a remnant of the rustlers against whom the stockmen's war of 1892 was directed. It consists of about twenty desperate cattle rustlers and horse thieves who made their rendezvous at an isolated spot in the Big Horn Mountains. From this fastness

the Big Horn Mountains. From this fastness they have sallied out many times and raided cattle and sheep ranches in Central Wyoming, carrying their depredations as far east as Nebraska and South Dakota.

Early this month five of them attempted to rob the Belle Fourche Bank, but the officers of the bank drove them off. They were followed, and one of them, Tom O Day, was captured. The others were surrounded at the V. V. V. ranch for several days, but they escaped and returned to their old haunts.

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Bob Devine, the foreman, took a force of armed cowboys into the Hole-in-the-Wall territory last year and recovered several hundred head of cattle. The outlaws have never forgiven Devine for this, and they sent him word if he ever returned he and his outfit would be killed. Last week Devine prepared for this year's round-up. His force consisted of thirty well-armed cowboys, who volunteered for the dangerous duty. The round-up proceeded without interruption until last evening, when Devine and eight of his men were rounding up the pasture where the rustlers kept the rustlers, led by Al and Bob Smith and Bob Taylor. The first volley fired by the rustlers wounded Foreman Devine and his son and killed their horses.

Both of the Devines returned the fire and killed Bob Smith. The horses of some of the cowboys stampeded and got away and for a time it looked as if the rustlers would win the fight. More than fifty shots were exchanged. Finally the rustlers retreated, leaving Bob Taylor a prisoner in the hands of the cowboys. The round-up was abandoned and the cowboys rode rapidly to Casper with their prisoner.

ROOSEVELT ON JAPAN.

He Tells the Ohio Xnyal Reserves Some Whole-

CLEVELAND, O., July 23.-Theodore Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, stirred up en-thusiasm yesterday in a speech to the Ohio naval reserves cruising about Johnson's Island, off Lake Erie. His theme was Japan and the likelihood of war with the Mikado's Govern-ment. He said: "I read in the papers this morning that Japan does not propose us to annex Hawaii. The United States is not in a position which requires her to ask Japan o any other foreign power what territory it shall or shall not acquire. It is upon you, gentlemen, and upon organizations of your kind, that this nation depends to uphold her dignity in whatever misunderstandings we may have with foreign nations. We are naturally a peace-loving people. It is absolutely necessary to have, in addition to our regular navy, however efficient

people. It is absolutely necessary to have, in addition to our regular navy, however efficient its officers and men may be, and they are efficient, such organizations as yours as a nucleus around which to build a reserve force to our navy, which, in case of a declaration of war, would be of some service in twenty-four hours and of great service in two weeks.

"You may get some idea of the importance the Navy Department places upon the formation of an efficient navy built along the great lakes when I tell you that I declined an urgent request to make an inspection of the divisions already in existence along our seacoast, and which will eventually be extended to all of our large navigable rivers, in order to investigate the beginning of this movement along a frontier bordering on a foreign power and extending across a continent. In behalf of the department I represent I promise you its unqualified support and encouragement, for men who spend time and money in such carnest work as you must have done are sure to prove themselves equal to any emergency where duty calls them from parades and reviews to more serious work of upholding a nation's honor.

Throughout his remarks, which were quite extended, Mr. Roosevelt showed much carnestness, and he was cheered heartly by both the naval men and other auditors. Adj.-Gen. Axline spoke in behalf of the reserves.

JAPAN SO FRIENDLY. Her Special Envoy Surprised That We Think

the Wants Hawail. OTTAWA, Ont., July 23.-Masano Mayda, repesentative of the Japanese Government, is here on business with the Dominion Government About a month ago he passed through eastern Canada on his way to the United States, where he had a mission regarding tariff matters and the Hawaiian difficulty.

In an interview to-day he stated that in both hose matters he believed selfish interests were these matters he believed solnsh interests were at the bottom of the present agitation in the States, and he thought it a great pity that a people like those of the United States should be exercised by a canard that the Japanese wanted to get hold of the Sandwich Islands.

There were no clashings of interests between the countries, and the difficulty, in his opinion, would be straightened out without any sorious trouble, notwithstanding the unfriendly utterances of a portion of the American press.

Japan-Hawsii Arbitration

WASHINGTON, July 23.—Col. Buck, the United States Minister at Tokio, cabled the State Department to-day that the Japanese Government was giving earnest consideration to the prope was giving earnest consideration to the proposition made by Hawaii to submit the differences between the two countries to arbitration. The Minister had been instructed to impress upon the Japanese authorities the earnest hope of his Government that the proposal would be accepted. As stated in The Sun to-day, the Administration is credited with having induced Hawaii to suggest arbitration to Japan, and the despatch from Col. Buck shows that he has been watching the progress of the matter.

Police Headquarters was on fire yesterday. A closet in the buscinent was found to be ablaze and the engines were called, but before they came the police in the building had torn out the burning boards and put out the fire.

Lazy livers and sluggish bowels are made active by pleasant dose of Tarrant's Seltaer Aperion.—Adv.

3 KILLED AND 9 INJURED.

FATAL EXPLOSION ON BOARD THE STEAMER NUTMEG STATE.

low and Sides Adjacent to It Blown Out and Twelve Members of Her Crew Killed or Hurt Seriously-The Fumes of Naphtha Used in Cleaning Supposed to Mave Been Set on Fire

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., July 23.-An explosion occurred on the steamer Nutmer State of the Bridgeport line while she was lying at her dock at the foot of South avenue a few minutes be fore 7 o'clock to-night. Three men were killed and nine injured seriously, while several persons received minor injuries. Some of the more seriously injured may die. The dead and injured all belong in New York and were employed as deckhands. The cause of the explosion is not known definitely as yet. The officials of the company have not made a statement. The dead are Timothy Reardon, Patrick

Moran, and Jerry O'Connell. Reardon died on the operating table at the Emergency Hospital while the doctors were preparit dress his wounds. Patrick Moran was taken out of the wreck of the forecastle with his neck broken, and Jerry O'Connell, who had both legs fractured and was injured internally, died few minutes after he had been removed to the Jeneral Hospital. The injured are Michael Reardon, Patrick Glennon, Michael McGarvey, Edward Lynch,

John Hartnet, John Carroll, Michael Sullivan, and Patrick Kiley. All the injured except the last two are at the General Hospital. They are burned and bruised, and some are injured inter-At the time of the explosion the men were all scated at a table cating supper, which had been served forward on the main deck, directly over the forecastle, where the bunks in which the

men slept were situated. There were a dozen men at the table. A terrific explosion came and none of the men seated at the table can tell what occurred. The complete wreck of the bow of the boat tells the story. The main deck, above which the ex-

plosion took place, is torn in pleces and the timbers badly shattered and reduced to splinters. The timbers and siding on both sides of the boat were blown out completely, leaving it wide open

were blown out completely, leaving it wide open. The force of the explosion shattered only the deck immediately above the hold, where the men slept. The upper deck was not injured.

Some of the men at the table were thrown into the water through the hig holes made in the side of the bow of the boat.

An alarm of fire was sent and when the engines arrived there was plenty of smoke but little flame. The fire was quickly extinguished, and then the firemen assisted in searching for the dead and helped to extricate the wounded from the debris. A call for the ambulance was sent in. When the extent of the explosion became known a call was sent out for physicians and in a short time a large force was on hand.

The dock was soon crowded. At first it was reported that a number of passensers had been killed, and relatives and friends hurried to the scene. The police had a hard job to keep the crowd from swarming on to the steamer and interfering with the work of getting out the dead and wounded.

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According to the story told by one of the men, during the supper one of the hands left the table and went below into the forecastle. It is supposed he struck a match while there and the gas from the naphtha, which had been used in large quantities, and the gasoline exploded. The explosion occurred either in the forecastle, where the bunks, are or in the hold underneath. The steamer is badly damaged and will have togo in dry dock.

B. M. Read, the man who used the naphtha on the mattresses in the forecastle which is said to have caused the explosion, surrendered himself at Police Headquarters to-night. He was allowed to go after being ordered to appear before Coroner Dolen to-morrow morning.

MAKING A SHOW OF MURDER.

Mrs. Emeta's Body on Public View and Her Husband's Saloon Kept Open. Andreas Maliniak, the Hungarian who killed Mrs. Kmetz while she was in bed at her husband's side in Newark on Thursday morning, was taken to jail vesterday morning after being carefully watched in his cell at the Fourth precinct all night for fear of an attempt at

suicide. He slept peacefully all through the night. Maliniak said he had not eaten anything since Wednesday, and refused his dinner yesterday until the Warden threatened him, and then he took two or three spoonfuls of stewed tomatoes, and said that he was not hungry. Later in the afternoon, however, he ate a hearty meal, but was deprived of knife and fork and provided

with only a pewter spoon.

When Kmetz was discharged from custody on When Kmetz was discharged from custody on Wednesday afternoon he went home and opened up the saloon and catered to an extraordinary crowd of curiosity seekers who viewed the bedieve wind the bedieve wind the bedieve window and drank several kegs of beer. Yesterday the stream of morbid people was steady, and Kmetz did the best business of his life.

The body of his wife was viewed at an undertaking establishment in Springfield avenue by many persons, and will be placed on view again to-morrow at Kmetz's house previous to the funeral services. These will be hold at St. Stanislaus's Polish Church, Siz Hungarian societies to which Kmetz belongs and one to which his wife belonged will march in a procession to Woodland Cemetery.

THREE-CENT FARES FOR ST. LOUIS To Be Introduced on Several Street Car Lines Next Month.

Sr. Louis, July 28 .- St. Louis is to have the three-cent car fare system. Charles Green, President and receiver of the People's Railway Company and of the Fourth Street and Arsenal line, made a positive statement to that effect

"By Aug. 1." he said, "the Fourth Street and "By Aug. 1," he said," the Fourth Street and Arsenal line will resume operations on a three-cent fare basis."

Mr. Green went further. He affirmed the report that he was back of the North and South Railway franchise system, and declared that the proposed road would have a general plan of transfers. Becoming more communicative he asserted it was by no means improbable that by the time the North and South Railway should be completed two years hence, it, too, would operate with three-cent fares. The Roeblings, T. E. Harr of Trenton, and E. J. Moore of Philadelphia are known to be backing the North and South Railway project. phia are known to be South Railway project.

THEY MURDERED TWO DEPUTIES. Burned Their Bodies and Scattered the Asher Yet Were Found Out and Caught.

TRINIDAD, Col., July 23 .- Six men and two women are under arrest here charged with murdering Deputies William Green and Wil liam Kelly when they were searching for cattle thieves in the spring of 1896. Officers are in pursuit of two more men who are said to have been implicated in the crime. The prisoners are Juan Duran, Nestor Martinez, Macodonio Archuleta, Davo Hodges, Luberte Archuleta, Liz Duran, and Lucia Archuleta. Archuleta has confessed that the two deputies were killed from ambush, their bodies were burned, and the sales scattered so that there would be no trace of the deed.

Silver in Our Bollar Worth 45.02 Cente

Commercial bar silver was quoted by bullion dealers yesterday at 59% cents an ounce, and Government assay bars at 59%. This made the silver in a standard silver dollar worth but 45.92 cents. The low record price for commercial bars in this market was made on March 3, 1894, when sales were certainly made at 59 and possibly by some dealers at 58%.

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PANIC IN A THEATRE.

Women Escape with Their Clothing Abias Three or Four Children Missing.

PADUCAH, Ky., July 23,-The Casino Summer Theatre building at Ramonia Park was burned to-night at 10 o'clock. A performance was being given, and there were about 600 people present when the fire was discovered. It was caused by a fireworks display on the

stage. The audience was panic stricken. Over 200 persons were injured by being burned and many were trampled almost to death Several of the actors were painfully burned.

The building was covered with tar paper, and was a mass of flames in a minute. At midnight it was reported that three or four children had perished in the flames. Women and children merged from the burning building with their clothing ablaze.

All the doctors in the city were required to look out for the injured. Col, Reuben Rowland and his wife were seriously injured in the stam-

BABY DIED IN HER ARMS. Mrs. Pfeiffer Carried Its Hody from Cone; Island to This City.

Mrs. Mary Pfeiffer of 60 Harrison street went ast Saturday to Coney Island with her twomonths-old daughter, Marie Gertrude, The baby had been ill for some time and Dr. D. A. Mc Michael of the dispensary at 73 West 100th street told Mrs. Pfeiffer that a change of air might possibly benefit the child.

At 4 o'clock yesterday morning the child became uneasy, and she took it out into the open air. After walking up and down the beach for an hour she met a doctor whom she knew She asked him to see how the baby was.

"Why it's dead!" exclaimed the doctor, laying his hand upon the child's head.

Mrs. Pfeiffer refused to believe this and car-ried the dead baby all the way from Coney Island to the West 100th street dispensary. There Dr. McMichael said the child had died of cholers infantum, and gave a certificate of death to that

INDIANS AND WHITES FIGHT.

no on Each Side Killed and Others Wounded in the Uncompangre Region.

SALT LAKE, Utah, July 23.-There is trouble again among the Uncompangre Indians. They have left the reservation in large numbers and are slaughtering deer by the wholesale for the hides. Fifty carcasses were found in one place and numerous others are strewn all over the county. Indian Agent Beck sent out a force to capture and bring back to the reservation the offenders. A band of about twenty was encountered. It offered resistance and in the fight ar Indian and a white man are reported killed and others wounded. Authentic news is hard to ob tain. Serious trouble is looked for.

NEW LABOR QUESTION.

hall Union Drivers Who Run Down Bicyclis

A number of drivers who belong to the Knights of Labor allege that the police and the Magis trates are too severe with drivers arrested fo running down bicycle riders. They have called mass meeting in Independence Hall, Twentyseventh street, near Third avenue, for Monda evening to protest against the action of the Magistrates and the police.

A RUNAWAY TEAM DROWNED.

With Bridge Off They Bushed Down a Co Point Street Into the Ferry Slip. A team of norses belonging to Siegel, Coope & Co. were drowned near the College Point Ferry slip yesterday afternoon. George Rellar. the driver, had been to Flushing delivering some goods. On his return about 2 P. M. he stopped at the corner of First avenue and First street, in College Point, and took the horses' bridles off and put on feed bags for them to eat from. The horses made a sudden jump and ran down First avenue at breakneck speed

and ran down rist avenue at breakneck speed in the direction of the ferry. The driver was sitting in the wagon and he made efforts to stop the runaways, but without avail.

The horses were unmanageable. Just as they reached the edge of the pier the driver jumped off. The horses and wagon went overboard. Efforts were made to save the horses from drowning, but the weight of the wagon pulled them down.

WOMEN ACCUSE AN ARTIST. Have James F. Laidlaw Locked Up on a Charge of Anneying Them.

James F. Laidlaw, an artist, 68 years old, who lives in a rear room of the top floor of 111 West Thirty-third street, was arrested last night on omplaint of the female servants in Dr. Abraham Jacobi's house, 110 West Thirty-fourth street. The rear yards of the two houses adjoin, and the servants, one of whom is Annie Schaefer, say that since the Jacobi family went away for the summer Laidlaw has constantly approved them. They say that he spent part of his time on the roof of the house in which he lives and that he was very incompletely dressed. Last night he appeared on the street in front of Dr. Jacobi's house and they called Policeman Frank and had him locked up.

A POLICE SURGEON'S MISHAP. Bitten by a Patient, He is Suffering with Blood Poisoning.

Police Surgeon John D. Sullivan of Brooklyn vas peforming an operation for lockjaw on a woman patient two weeks ago when her jaws suddenly snapped and his right forefinger was bitten through to the bone. He dressed the wound and suffered no ill effect until Wednesday last. He performed several operations on Tuesday, and on the following day his right hand and arm became badly swollen. Drs. J. W. Van Cott and J. C. Kennedy were called in and said he was suffering with blood poisoning. His condition on Wednesday night was regarded as serious, but he is now rapidly recovering.

ACCUSED BY HIS LITTLE SON. Seven-Year-Old Boy Says His Pather and Brother Killed His Mother

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 23.-George Anderon, aged 62, and his son Wesley, aged 15, were arrested last night at Brookwood on the charge of murdering Mrs. Anderson. A son 7 years old says while the family was on a trip through Jefferson, Tuskaloosa, and Shelby counties his father and brother murdered his mother. He says his father held his mother while Wesley chopped her head off. The boy cannot tell where the killing occurred, but says he can go to the place where the body was buried. Anderson says his wife is in a poorhouse at Columbiana.

BROADWAY CABLE CAR HITS CAB. The Driver Injured-Shoemaker Hurt by a Third Avenue Car.

A cable car ran into John Kelly's hansom at Broadway and Thirty-eighth street about 4 'clock yesterday afternoon. Kelly was knocked off his seat and his back was injured. He was able, however, to go to his home at 432 West Thirty-third street. No one was arrested. John C. Thompson, a shoemaker of 539 Third

avenue, was run down by a Third avenue cable car at Thirty-third street yesterday. He sus-tained several contusions and was taken to Believue Hospital. He declined to prosecute

Top Story of the Brinckerhoff Cracker Bakery Burned Out with a Great Bluze The top story of Brinckerhoff & Co.'s cracker bakery, at 92, 94, and 96 Elizabeth street, was burned out about 9 o'clock last evening with a

reat blaze. The Second, Third, and Fourth avenue street-car lines and the Grand street line were blocked. Chief Seyferlich and Second Assistant Chief Campion of the Chicago depart-ment watched the fire. The damage was said to be about \$100,000 to building, machinery, and stock. Four clarms were sent out.

PRICE TWO CENTS. SENATE TO VOTE TO-DAY.

THE END OF THE FIGHT OVER THE TARIFF IS NOW IN SIGHT.

Senator Morgan of Alabama Made the Proposition to Take a Vote at B o'Clock This Arternoon, and as There Was No Objection It Was So Ordered-Hot Words on the Floor,

WASHINGTON, July 23.-After a session of six and a half hours to-day, all obstacles to a final vote on the tariff conference report in the Senate were removed by a proposition coming from the Democratic side of the chamber, Mr. Morgan of Alabama, from whom the most apprehension of delay and difficulty was entertained, asked unanimous consent that the Senate take a recess till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, and that the final vote be taken at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Mr. Allen, the Populist Senator from Nebraska, who had the floor and who was prepared to make an infinitely long speech, on realizing that the Senator from Alabama had surrendered and that the other Democratio Senators surrendered with him, gave up the idea of flibustering, and said that he would make no objection. No other Senator did so, and Vice-President Hobart announced promptly that unanimous consent was given, and that that would be the order. The whole day's session up to that point had been occupied with speeches against the conference report, the close of the discussion being much enlivened by a wordy conflict between Senators Allen of

Nebraska and Foraker of Ohio on the subject of

alleged frauds in the last Presidential election

It was only by the exercise of the most powerful arts of moral suasion that the Republican managers succeeded in breaking down the combination formed to filibuster against the final vote on the conference report. Indeed, the consent of two or three of the more determined Senators was gained only after a personal appeal to their sense of fairness and decency. Senators Allen and Butler, for the Populists, and Morgan and Tillman, for the Democrats, were the men who up to the very last moment to-day insisted that they would not allow the conference report to be adopted. Tillman was ugly and defiant and had a list of grievances growing out of the fact that twice within two days he has been defeated in his pet scheme. On Wednesday Speaker Reed refused to afford an opportunity for the consideration of his bill legalizing the South Carolina dispensary system, and yesterday his threatened speech of denunciation of Republican Senators for pigeonholing his resolution for an investigation of the charge that Senators have been buying sugar stock again, was made impossible by the committee reporting his resolution back adversely.

Tillman was therefore in an ugly mood when the Senate met to-day, and promised to make trouble. He was determined to attack the conference report because it placed cotton ties and cotton bagging back on the dutiable list, and sought to make a combination with those Re-publican Senators who are dissatisfied with the high duty on white pine. Tillman had in his pocket a telegram from his colleague, Mr. Mc-Laurin, authorizing him to pair him in any way possible to bring about the restoration of cotton bagging and cotton ties to the free list. Tillman's political power in South Carolina is on the wane, and he realizes that he must do something to save himself from utter defeat at home. When Senators Aldrich and Faulkner, however, representing the Republican and Democratic sides of the chamber, pointed out to him the absolute impossibility of amending the bill now, and how impossible it would be to defeat it, and after Aldrich had appealed to him to apply common sense to the situation, and do the only sensible thing by holding his tongue, Tillman gracefully and good-naturedly yielded, and

agreed not to filibuster. Then Allen was taken in hand, and it was soon found that he was simply stirring up the animals for the fun of the thing, and had no real hope or desire to defeat the bill. Morgan of Alabama was a hard man to handle, because his inclination to ulibuster against the report was born of his desire to pass his resolution regarding the debt of the Pacific railroads. But Aldrich appealed to him not to stubbornly and pigheadedly oppose the wishes of the Finance Co mittee, all of whom are on the point of physica and mental collapse by continuing to talk, with no prospects whatever of defeating the confernce report. Morgan finally yielded as grace fully as Tillman and Allen did, and, in order to publicly admit that he had been captured, bag and baggage, he offered to make the motion him

self to vote at 3 o'clock to-morrow, which he did.

The last man to be taken in hand by the committee of harmony was the Populist leader Butler of North Carolina, and him they found obdurate. It was necessary, therefore, to subdue him by a trick. He was chatting with a colleague in the rear of the desks when Morgan made his motion for a unanimous agreement to take a vote at 3 o'clock to-morrow, and before Butler realized what had taken place Vice President Hobart had declared the motion adopted and the unanimous consent granted. Then the Populist statesman from Honeycutts swoke to the situation, but it was too late. He attempted to point out to the aged and wily Morgan that he had been caught napping and had sacrificed his Pacific Railroad resolution. Butler urged him to include it in the arrangement for a vote to-morrow, but Morgan tangled him up in some of his long and involved and polite sentences, and all Butler could do was to proclaim that if he had not been off his guard he would have objected to the unanimous agreement. Some of his colleagues who know him well ventured to express the opinion that they were somewhat doubtful on that point.

CONGRESS MAY ADJOURN TO-DAY.

If the Currency Message Is Sent to the House it May Pass the Monetary Commission Bill. Washington, July 23 .- Unless everybody in authority is very much mistaken, the extraordinary session of the Fifty-fifth Congress, called by President McKinley for the purpose of passing a tariff bill and doing something to improve the financial condition of the country. will come to an end to-morrow. The Senate will adopt the conference report on the Tariff bill at 3 o'clock, and before sundown the President will have signed it and it will have become a law. It is highly probable also that before that hour the House will have passed the bill introduced yesterday by It presentative W. A. Stone of Pennsylvania, past and prospective Chair-man of the Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures, or a bill very similar to it, providing for the appointment of a monetary commission to study the currency laws and recommend to Congress, at its meeting in December, some plan for their improvement.

For two or three days it has been the intention of the President to send to the two houses a message recommending the passage of such a bill immediately on the taking of the final vote in the Senate on the adoption of the conference report on the Tariff bill. Now that it has been arranged, however, to take this vote to-morrow at 3 o'clock it is the present intention of the President to send his message to the two houses at noon, thus affording time to the House of Representatives to pass the law, so that both houses can adopt a resolution providing for final adjournment toward evening.

The Committee on Rules have not yet made an order for the consideration of the bill in the House, and have no official notice that the message will be sent in. They think it will be, however, and they also think, as the majority of Congressmen apparently do, that it is the duty of the Republican party in the House to indorse the recommendations of the President, although a large majority in both houses seriously doubs the wisdom of taking any action on the duancia